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Public Works to conduct controlled burn

May 8 to May 11, 2007

NEWS @ A GLANCE:

The City of Winnipeg, Public Works Department with assistance from Winnipeg Fire Paramedic Services, will be conducting a controlled burn during the day at the Living Prairie Museum, 2795 Ness Avenue between Tuesday, May 8 and Friday, May 11, 2007 weather conditions permitting. As a reminder, residents living near the Living Prairie Museum may wish to close their windows during the day this week. (for more details, please read the full media release below)

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Fire plays an important role in the preservation and restoration of prairies. Lack of fire allows weeds to invade these endangered plant communities. Controlled burns have been conducted by the Naturalist Services Branch on Winnipeg's tall grass prairies since 1986.

The controlled burn will be conducted in minimal wind conditions with appropriate fire guards in place. The controlled burn will decrease the risk of wildfires or arson in this area.

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For more information about controlled burns please contact Cheryl Heming at 986-2036 or 479-5294.

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